UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA TAMPA DIVISION

MATTHEW ORSO as Successor Trustee to Kenneth D. Bell in his Capacity as Court-appointed Receiver for Rex Venture Group, LLC,

Plaintiff,

v. Case No.: 8:21-mc-00033-JSM-AAS

CAROL WITT,

Defendant,

ORDER

Matthew Orso moves the court, under Rule 69 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and Florida Statutes § 77.01 et seq., to issue writs of garnishment against Regions Bank and Well Fargo Bank, N.A. for a judgment owed by Carol Witt. (Docs. 2, 3).

Rule 69 provides that a money judgment is enforced by a writ of garnishment. Fed. R. Civ. P. 69(a)(1). "The procedure on execution . . . must accord with the procedure of the state where the court is located, but a federal statute governs to the extent it applies." *Id.* Florida law provides a right to a writ of garnishment to judgment creditors to help satisfy a money judgment. Fla. Stat. § 77.01. To obtain a writ of garnishment, the judgment creditor must

file a motion stating the amount of the judgment. Fla. Stat. § 77.03. The writ must direct the garnishee to answer the writ within twenty days and state the amount named in the judgment creditor's motion. Fla. Stat. § 77.04.

On August 14, 2017, the United States District Court for the Western District of North Carolina entered judgment against Ms. Witt, in the amount of \$5,034.41, plus accruing post-judgment interest. (Doc. 1, Ex. 1). On March 8, 2021, Mr. Orso registered the judgment in this court. (Doc. 1). According to Mr. Orso's motions, this amount remains unpaid. (Doc. 2, ¶ 4; Doc. 3, ¶ 4).

Thus, it is **ORDERED**:

- (1) Mr. Orso's Motions for Writs of Garnishment (Docs. 2, 3) are GRANTED.
- (2) The Clerk of Court shall issue a writ of garnishment to the named garnishees using the forms attached to Mr. Orso's motions and the addresses for the garnishees contained in the forms (Doc. 2, Ex. 1; Doc. 3, Ex. 1). Mr. Orso must include with the writs copies of the following:
 - a. Mr. Orso's Motion for Writ of Garnishment (Docs. 2, 3),
 - b. This Order, and
 - c. Mr. Orso's Registration of Foreign Judgment (Doc. 1).

ENTERED in Tampa, Florida on June 22, 2021.

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United States Magistrate Judge